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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation is transmitting the following amendment to the California 2008/09 - 2011/12 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies and adds projects in the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (non-MPO) portion of the state.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
19	Recovery Act Funds

- This amendment adds American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) transportation enhancement (TE) funds to six projects.
 - Collier Interpretive and Information Center - ARRA funds of \$15,000 are programmed in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2009/10. This is a new project.
 - Lake Siskiyou Trail - This project was previously included in the 2006 FSTIP but was not obligated. The project has been carried over to the 2009 FSTIP and includes the addition of \$1,200,000 ARRA funds. Other fund sources for this project include State Parks, State Cash, local transportation funds, and non ARRA TE.
 - West Weaverville Traffic Calming Project - ARRA funds of \$305,000 are added to this project in FFY 09/10.
 - Sonora Wildlife Crossing – This amendment adds \$3,058,000 of ARRA funds in FFY 2009/10 to this project. Adjustments are made to other fund sources which result in a net project cost increase of \$1,232,000.
 - Samoa Blvd. Bike/Pedestrian Improvements - This project has been added to the existing Bike/Pedestrian Improvements grouped project listing for attainment areas. The grouped project listing has been increased by \$1,375,000 of ARRA funds for this project.

- Loyalton Sidewalk Project - This project has been added to the existing Bike/Pedestrian Improvements grouped project listing for attainment areas. The grouped project listing has been increased by \$128,000 of ARRA funds for this project.

Transit Elements

- This amendment programs FFY 2009 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5309 (Bus and Bus Facilities) for the Gold Country State Transit Transfer Center (SAFETEA-LU Project No. 11, E2009-BUSP-079). Funds are programmed in FFY 2009/10 and are comprised of \$209,992 FTA Section 5309 funds and \$52,416 local match.

State and Local Elements

- Rural Preventative Maintenance - Programs ten new highway maintenance projects in FFY 09/10 and adjusts the funding for project EA 3M200.
- State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) - The following grouped project listings for SHOPP have been modified in order to update projects and costs: SHOPP Bridge Preservation, SHOPP Collision Reduction, and SHOPP Mobility.

See Enclosure

I am recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 19 for inclusion into California's FSTIP.

Based upon correspondence from FHWA dated May 27, 2008, projects in non-metropolitan isolated non-attainment areas of the State do not need to meet project conformity to be included in the FSTIP. However, such projects must comply with project level conformity requirements when a Federal action such as a National Environmental Protection Agency decision or obligation of funds, is taken on the project.

This amendment was made available for public review and comment September 30 - October 14, 2009. The response to comments received is enclosed. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. An updated financial summary table is provided for this amendment. In addition, there are no projects in this Amendment No. 19 that are included in any other amendment that is currently open for public review.

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Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination for the projects that are federally funded.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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